

Project Open House

Tuesday, October 21, 2003

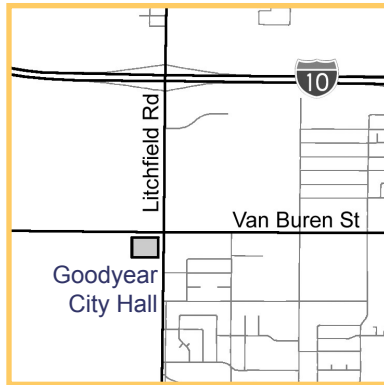
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Goodyear City Hall

Main Conference Room

190 N. Litchfield Rd.

Goodyear, Arizona



A portion of this open house will also be devoted to Bullard Wash Channel Improvements Phase II which is one of the recommended projects within the White Tanks ADMP.

The purpose of the open house is to present the proposed improvements for both projects and to receive comments from the public. District floodplain representatives will also be available to answer questions.

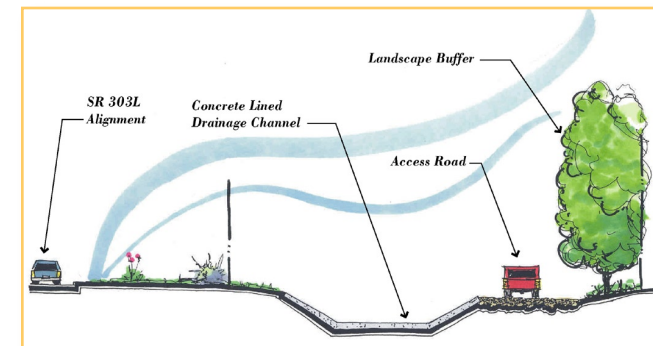
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Loop 303 Corridor/ White Tanks Area Drainage Master Plan Update



Selected Alternative

If you received this brochure, you most likely own property in an area that could be affected by this project.

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Project Introduction

The purpose of this study, which is an update to the existing White Tanks Area Drainage Master Plan (ADMP) of the early 1990's, is to plan flood control infrastructure improvements ahead of development.

Due to rapid growth and changes in land use, much of the watershed has changed significantly since the earlier plan was developed. Additionally, the Maricopa County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) and the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) have been working on a major freeway corridor for the SR 303L.

The ADMP is one of many projects that the Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District) is developing in order to protect both existing and future residences from possible damages associated with floods up to and including the 100-year storm.

The study included the analysis of approximately 220 square miles of watershed from the McMicken Dam south to the Gila River and from the White Tank Mountains east to the Agua Fria River. The SR 303L freeway corridor runs from approximately north of Grand Avenue to the Gila River.

The study identified drainage problems, updated the existing hydrology, and developed community-based alternatives to reduce area flooding and drainage problems. In addition, the study identified new areas that are subject to flooding (floodplains).



Project Update

The study team presented a recommended alternative to the public at a meeting in September 2002. The alternative consisted of a series of channels and basins to convey flows to the Gila and Agua Fria rivers and maximize the use of the existing flood control facilities.

Since that time, changes in MCDOT/ADOT's plans for the SR 303L have required the team to make adjustments to the recommended alternative. SR 303L was initially proposed as a parkway but is now planned to be a full-fledged freeway.

As such, the alignment for the District's proposed channels will remain roughly the same. However, the project adjacent to SR 303L will now be modified to concrete channels with a small landscape buffer and SR 303L will cut off all west to east flows. Additional basins have been added in the Accident Potential Zones (APZ) of Luke Air Force

Project Partners

The District is coordinating closely with Luke Air Force Base, other area stakeholders and numerous local jurisdictions on this project. The cities of Avondale, Buckeye, El Mirage, Litchfield Park, Glendale, Goodyear, and Surprise all have interests in this project.

Cost-sharing partnerships on some parts of the preferred alternative have already been identified. The District has already had conversations with MCDOT to initiate Intergovernmental Agreements for portions of the project.

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If you are unable to attend this open house, information from the meeting will be posted on the District Web site at www.fcd.maricopa.gov.

Project Area

